

TOWN OF GRANBY
AGRICULTURAL COMMISSION MEETING
NOTES
April 9, 2014

PRESENT: Pam Burek, Erin Pirro (No quorum)

Others: Terri Ann Hahn, Allison Blair

The meeting was called to order by Erin Pirro at 7:05 p.m.

OLD BUSINESS

Open Farm Day

- Pam Burek distributed updated planning documents for Open Farm Day. The list of farms and sponsors was reviewed.
- Erin Pirro will send another email to participating farms participating requesting updated info for the Granby Ag website.
- Terri Ann Hahn reported that the Grange has made arrangements with the Lions Club to do preliminary pediatric eye screening at the Agriculture Fair on Open Farm Day.
- Erin reported that she is working on setting up some free advertising with Clear Channel Community Access.
- Allison reported that the 4-H is hoping to include a small engine repair group to their participants.

Planning for Agriculture, A Guide for CT Municipalities

Discussion on the community support of agriculture assessment was tabled until the next meeting.

Planning & Zoning Recommendations

Terri Ann Hahn distributed copies of the Planning & Zoning regulations relevant to farming. The group will review them before and at the next meeting.

CT Agriculture Day

The Department of Agriculture hosted CT Ag Day at the state capital on March 19. The Erin Pirro & Michelle Niedermeyer attended Erin reported that it was interesting to see what kinds of activities other community's Agriculture Commissions were involved in.

NEW BUSINESS

None

OTHER BUSINESS

Legislative Report

Erin Pirro reported that HB 5416 moved out of committee without the part about enclosures for gestating sows. If passed, it will create an Advisory Council for Livestock Care Standards.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lauren Stuck
Recording Secretary